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to get in, but he sighted us and immediately went about and put to sea and soon was out of sight.

The *Bratton* was anchored just within the harbor where she remained until this morning, waiting for the smack to return, but as it did not do so we got underway headed for Port Tampa.

About 10 a. m. the same smack was sighted headed in shore toward Sarasota, but as soon as she saw us she went about and went to sea heading NNW. about 11 a. m. Three other smacks were sighted well offshore and heading north, but all were too far offshore to justify boarding them and they were not molested. We kept them in sight until we arrived off Egmont Key when we were compelled to drop them on account of lack of coal, and put in to Port Tampa. When last seen they were still headed north and were probably making for Anclote Harbor.

As soon as I take on coal and supplies I will make for Anclote and probably overtake these smacks there.

Special Inspector W. M. Browder is aboard the *Bratton* and has boarded several coasting vessels and also visited a number of the people on shore during the cruise.

Respectfully,

G. M. CORPUT,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

ILLINOIS.

Smallpox at Cairo.

CAIRO, ILL., June 2, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to report for the week ended June 2, 1900, 4 new cases of smallpox and no deaths in this city. Total number reported to date, 107 cases and 6 deaths.

Respectfully,

JOHN MILTON HOLT,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.

INDIANA.

Smallpox in Evansville.

EVANSVILLE, IND., June 4, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to make the following report of the number of smallpox cases in the isolation hospital for the week ended June 3, 1900: On hand May 27, 1900, 17; admitted during the week, none; discharged during the week, 2; died during the week, none; remaining, 15.

Respectfully,

W. A. KORN,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

MISSOURI.

No smallpox in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, MO., June 5, 1900.

SIR: I have the honor to state that no new cases of smallpox have been reported in this city during the week ended June 3, 1900.

Respectfully,

WM. G. STIMPSON,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S., In Command.